



WELCOME WAGON WEDDING SHOW: Members of Cheri Lindsay's Dance Studio modeled gowns from Maria Linda Design of Milton for Sunday's show at the John Elliott Theatre in Georgetown. Above, Jenny Allen and Alexandra Jarvis showed identical

outfits for a bride and her flower girl. Right, Nicole Gledhill displayed a simple gown of white damask with a beaded neckline. her headpiece featured a bandeau of the same beading. - Maggie Petrushevsky photos

'No mail' blues for rural family

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The New Tanner

Neither flat denials, frustrating bureaucrats or so far empty assurances will stop a rural Acton resident from trying to get her mail, even though a Canada Post official dismisses her complaints about poor service as "unfounded."

Since July, when a new sub-contractor underbid several long-time Acton rural mail carriers for two rural delivery routes, this Sixth Line resident, who doesn't want to be identified, and four other families who use the same rural mail box, have had sporadic mail delivery.

The resident accused the Ottawa-based master contractor, who sub-contracts out her rural route, of taking the money but not producing the goods.

"That makes me really ticked off. They're not fol-

lowing through with their contractual obligations to deliver the mail but they're still getting paid," she said, adding that it's rare to see the mail carrier's car tracks or footprints at the group mail boxes so she's convinced the poor service isn't due to a lack of mail to be delivered.

"I had to drive a cheque to Georgetown because it wasn't picked up from my mail box on time. We haven't received the phone bill and it's already due and my husband's pay stub for last week hasn't arrived yet and I can't do my banking until it arrives," the frustrated resident said, adding that newspapers

and flyers often arrive too late to be of any good.

In an interview on Monday, Canada Post media relations spokesman Tom Creech said after checking with the superintendent of the Georgetown post office and with the rural carrier that, "based on our examination of the situation there doesn't appear to be a problem."

"It's sort of the word of the contractor versus the word of the individual, of our customer, and that's a tough one," Creech said as he promised to look further into the complaints.

A week after the resident

initial complaint, mail service was no better. After five days of no mail, 14 pieces of mail arrived on Tuesday, including a letter mailed from Acton January 29 and two letters from Guelph, postmarked January 28.

Juveniles shellacked

The Acton Juvenile Tan- ners were blanked 9-0 in a penalty-filled OMHA quar- ter-final playoff game in Aylmer. Eleven Acton play- ers racked up more than 70 minutes of penalties as

Aylmer- which spent a total of 36 minutes in the penalty box-dominated the first game of the series. The Juveniles meet Aylmer in game two on Saturday (Feb. 13) in Acton. Game time is 9 p.m.

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